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Critics call Tory budget brochure 'propaganda'

Redford government. Premier defends \$350K mail-out, saying it's about accountability

Alberta Premier Alison Redford's government is spending \$350,000 to mail out a full-colour budget brochure — something critics suggest is Redford's latest attempt to save her job.

"It's desperation," Wildrose Opposition Leader Danielle Smith said Tuesday. "We have a premier who is desperately afraid of losing confidence from her party in her leadership vote in the fall, and she's pulling out all the stops, including using taxpayer money to send out political propaganda."

The eight-page mail-out repeats dollar figures, commitments and talking points used by the government when it delivered the budget March 7.

That financial forecast is for \$6.3 billion in red ink, along with cuts or reductions in spending across the board. But it also promised renewed savings and infrastructure spending to keep pace with a growing population.

The brochure, called Report to Taxpayers, highlights spending, savings and infrastructure



The Alberta government is spending \$350,000 to mail out an eight-page, full-colour brochure, shown in Edmonton Tuesday, highlighting the 2013-14 budget. THE CANADIAN PRESS

goals, but doesn't mention the key concern of critics: that Redford plans to accrue \$17 billion of debt over the next four years.

The brochure, which also includes testimonials from Albertans praising the budget and the government, also reiterates that the province is being hammered by what Redford and her government are calling the "bitumen bubble."

Redford coined the term to explain the price difference between what Alberta's oil sells for compared with the North American oil benchmark, West Texas Intermediate.

Redford, in her personal address to Albertans on page 2 of the brochure, mentions the bubble twice in the first three paragraphs.

She defended the mail-out during question period.

"We're very excited to be able to make sure that we are accountable to Albertans for the decisions that we made in Budget 2013," said Redford. "And we're proud of the fact that we're going to deliver that fact-based document to 1.2 million households this week."

NDP Leader Brian Mason pointed out the brochure is even in the blue-and-orange colours of the Progressive Conservative party.

"To me it's nothing but a very expensive taxpayer-funded piece of propaganda."

Mason said Redford is running a de facto election campaign. She faces a mandatory vote of confidence from party members in November but has seen her popularity fall drastically in recent public opinion polls.

"This has got a lot to do with the premier's campaign, which is now in full swing, to win her leadership review in November," said Mason.

All parties agree the brochure highlights the increasing politicization of government business under Redford.

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BRINGING THE ZOO2U

Sophie, a 14-year-old blue gold macaw, was out with her handler Melinda Moscicki from the Zoo2U petting zoo in Churchill Square on Tuesday. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

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Road rehab

City unveils repair list for potholes

Edmonton crews have filled almost 265,000 potholes so far this year and are planning 44 road rehabilitation projects this year to smooth the city's bumpy drives.

The city unveiled the list of projects they hope to complete after city councilors voted to increase the road-repair budget earlier this month, with \$12 million in funding for arterial roads and another \$9 million for local roads.

Bob Dunford, the city's director of roadway maintenance, said the budget boost combined with a proposed long-term plan that council asked for last week should bring better conditions to Edmonton drivers.

"It's definitely moving forward with better management of our infrastructure," he said.

The road projects are in all areas of the city and include overlays on some streets and more extensive rebuilds in other areas.

He said Edmonton is not alone in trying to keep up with the demands of deteriorating roads.

"This is not a unique problem to Edmonton, this is a national problem."

Many of the city's pothole repair measures require above-freezing temperatures. Dunford said the weather co-operated for most of April and they were able to fill 137,000 potholes, but they will continue to have crews working.

"We are trying to keep up the same pace in May, because there is still a need out there." **RYAN TUMILTY/METRO**

Can't we just Google it? Alta. students to write diploma exams online

By the fall of 2017, all Alberta high school students will be able to write their diploma exams online, announced Education Minister Jeff Johnson on Tuesday.

Johnson made the announcement during a teleconference with student reporters from across the province.

"We're making the diploma exams more flexible and more accommodating of students' needs," he said.

Students will be able to write the online exams five times a year starting next year. Currently they are written twice a year.

Piloting of electronic diploma exams is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2014 and by 2017 all diploma exam sessions will be offered electronically.

Students will still be able to write the exams with pencil and paper if they choose, Johnson said. **METRO**

Hobbema. RCMP investigating shooting and suspicious death

RCMP in the Hobbema area are investigating a suspicious death, as well as a shooting that has left a 21-year-old man in hospital.

In a release issued Tuesday, Maskwacis RCMP said officers and Muskawchees EMS found a victim suffering from a gunshot wound when they responded to a complaint at a residence on the Samson First Nation in the early hours.

They believe the incident to be gang-related.

Also in the Hobbema area, RCMP are investigating a death on the Montana First Nation.

RCMP said Tuesday they are investigating the death after being called to the scene Monday.

The identity of the victim is not being released. An autopsy is scheduled for Wednesday. **METRO**

Board hears pleas to save music program

Budget cuts. Decades-old program is being chopped



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Before hearing passionate pleas from staff, alumni, students and parents involved with the Edmonton Public School Board's Music Enrichment Program, the superintendent of schools said the district could help facilitate a community solution for the cancelled program.

"We are certainly exploring the possibility of making the instruments and some space available.... The district is willing to facilitate a community solution to this funding shortfall," said Edgar

Schmidt at the board meeting on Tuesday afternoon.

About 650 elementary, junior high and high school students partake in the Music Enrichment Program, which offers after-school group lessons in strings or choir and will no longer be offered this fall.

Seven people spoke to the board of trustees about the benefits of the decades-old program including 16-year-old Lynnea Bartel-Nickel, who has been a part of the choir program for three years.

"Oftentimes the only thing that can get me through the week really is knowing that I get to go to choir on Thursday," she said.

Edmonton Public School spokesperson Jane Sterling said the board does have the ability to reverse the decision to cut the program.



Grade 11 student Lynnea Bartel-Nickel spoke to Edmonton Public School Board trustees at their meeting at the Centre for Education on Tuesday regarding the Music Enhancement Program. **ANNALISE KLINGBEIL/METRO**

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Should cops have found missing women sooner?

Tough questions.

Cleveland police under scrutiny after rescue of captives who vanished almost a decade earlier

One neighbour says a naked woman was seen crawling in the backyard of the house a few years ago. Another heard pounding on the home's doors and noticed plastic over the windows.

Both times, police showed up but never went inside, neighbours say. Police also paid a visit to the house in 2004.

Now, after three women who vanished a decade ago were found captive at the house Monday, Cleveland police are facing questions about their handling of missing-person cases and are conducting an internal re-

view to see if they overlooked anything.

City Safety Director Martin Flask said Tuesday that investigators had no record of anyone calling about criminal activity at the house but were still checking databases.

The women were rescued after one of them kicked out the bottom of a locked screen door and called 911. Neighbour Charles Ramsey heard the woman screaming and helped in the rescue.

"Help me. I'm Amanda Berry," the woman breathlessly told a dispatcher in a call that exhilarated and astonished much of the city. "I've been kidnapped and I've been missing for 10 years and ... I'm free now." Berry, 27, Michelle Knight, 32, and Gina DeJesus, about 23, had apparently been held captive in the house since their teens or early 20s, said Police Chief Michael McGrath. Three



Ariel Castro



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Amanda Berry, right, hugs her sister Beth Serrano after being reunited in a Cleveland hospital Monday. Berry and two other women were found in a house in Cleveland Monday after being missing for about a decade. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/FAMILY HANDOUT

brothers, ages 50 to 54, were arrested. One of them, Ariel Castro, owned the home. No immediate charges were filed. A six-year-old girl be-

lieved to be Berry's daughter was also found, said Deputy Police Chief Ed Tomba. He would not say who the father was.

The women were reported to be healthy and were reunited with family but remained in seclusion.

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Aug. 23, 2002

Michelle Knight, 20, vanishes. She was last seen at a cousin's house.

April 21, 2003

Amanda Berry, 16, disappears after leaving her job at a Burger King.

January 2004

Police go to Ariel Castro's home about three miles from where Knight and Berry were last seen. No one answers the door.

April 2, 2004

Georgina "Gina" DeJesus, 14, disappears while walking home from school.

May 6, 2013

Knight, Berry and DeJesus are found at Castro's home. Police arrest three brothers, Ariel, Pedro and Onil Castro, in connection with the disappearances.

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Acadia University

Recent grad dies while vacationing in Mexico

Acadia University is mourning the loss of a student vacationing in Mexico.

A spokesman for the Nova Scotia school confirmed to Metro on Tuesday night that a recently graduated student had died in Cancun. Few details were provided, including the student's name.

"I am deeply saddened to inform our campus community that one of our graduating students passed away suddenly this morning while on vacation in Cancun, Mexico. We have few details about the circumstances at this time," Scott Roberts told the King's-County Register.

In an email to Metro, Roberts said the incident occurred on a privately-organized vacation and wasn't associated with the university.

The student was among a group of graduates on the trip. The remaining students are scheduled to return by the end of the week. **METRO**

Big spenders. Senators asked to pay thousands back to taxpayers

Two senators will be asked to reimburse taxpayers for large sums after an audit of their expenses, according to a source familiar with the results of the investigation.

Sen. Patrick Brazeau, who sits as an independent, will be asked to pay back about \$30,000, and Liberal Sen. Mac Harb owes the government more than \$100,000, the audit reportedly indicated.

Internal Senate committees are expected within the next two days to debate whether the audit findings should be passed on to the RCMP for possible investigation, the source said.

The report is the latest development in the uproar over spending by senators on housing and travel expenses.

The independent forensic auditors have asked for more time to examine the travel expenses of Conservative Sen. Pamela Wallin. Wallin has reportedly already repaid a considerable sum to the government in connection with questionable expenses. But the investigation of her claims is not

over, the source said.

Conservative Sen. Mike Duffy has also been investigated over funds he has claimed to pay his living allowance in Ottawa. But he reportedly returned more than \$90,000 in expenses earlier this year after questions were raised about whether he should claim a cottage in Prince Edward Island as his principal residence. He has said he "may have been mistaken" in filling out forms about his principal residence.

Senators whose principle residence is more than 100 kilometres from Ottawa can claim living expenses to pay for the extra expense of staying in Ottawa for their Senate duties.

Harb and Brazeau's meal and housing costs were audited after questions were raised about their taxpayer-funded living allowances.

Both Harb and Brazeau have said they did nothing wrong in connection with their Senate expense claims. They could not be reached for comment immediately Tuesday.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Disabled newlyweds sue to be together

Paul & Hava.
Mentally challenged couple files suit against N.Y. State group homes in order to share a bedroom

With the beaming smiles of newlyweds, Paul Forziano and Hava Samuels hold hands, exchange adoring glances and complete each other's sentences.

Their first wedding dance, he recalls, was to the song "Unchained..." "...Melody," she chimes in.

They spend their days together in the performing-arts education centre where they met in Port Jefferson, N.Y. But every night, they

must part ways. Forziano goes to his group home. His wife goes to hers.

The state-sanctioned non-profits that run the group homes are not allowing the couple to share a bedroom, but the newlyweds and their parents are challenging the restriction in a federal civil-rights lawsuit.

"We're very sad when we leave each other," Forziano says. "I want to live with my wife because I love her."

The couple had been considering marriage for three years before tying the knot last month, and they contend in their lawsuit that they were refused permission from their respective group homes to live together as husband and wife. The couple's parents are seeking a solution. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Hava Samuels dances with her new husband, Paul Forziano, on their wedding day in Wading River, N.Y. BRUCE PRESNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Survivor speaks: Limo driver could have done more to help us

Nelia Arellano desperately tried to squeeze through a narrow partition as smoke thickened and a fire grew in the back of a limousine.

Stuck for a moment in the three-foot-by-1.5-foot space, Arellano made her way into the front seat. Three of her

friends quickly followed.

Five others didn't make it. Arellano said in an interview Monday that she believes the driver, Oliver Brown, could have done more to help during the fire, which took place Saturday on a San Francisco bridge. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



A limousine is engulfed in flames on San Francisco's San Mateo-Hayward Bridge on May 4. Five female bodies were later found inside.

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Tallying up the cost of boomerang kids

The parent trap. Report finds majority of boomers have stepped up to help support adult children

Along with reduced pensions, low returns on their savings and high debt, Canada's boomer generation is facing an additional burden as they ease into their retirement years — their "boomerang kids."

A report from TD Canada Trust suggests boomers are taking on more of the responsibility for their adult children struggling to attain financial self-sufficiency in the post-recession years of high youth unemployment and low wage gains.

The report, based on an online survey by Environics Research, shows a majority of boomers have stepped up to help support their adult children, and that as many as one-in-five say they would be prepared to put their own financial security at risk to help out.

The number one way of helping out is providing free room and board, but also contributing to major purchases like cars or computers, helping pay for rent and groceries and of course, paying off credit card bills.

"Today high youth unemployment, increasing post-secondary education costs

Youth unemployment

- At 14.2 per cent, youth unemployment remains more than twice that of other workers.
- But that does not tell the entire story. The 15 to 24 year cohort is the only age group that Statistics Canada calculates is still below the employment level that existed before the recession.

and high property prices mean many young people are more likely to rely financially on their parents well into adulthood," said John Tracy, senior vice-president of TD Canada Trust, of the results.

But Tracy warns boomers there is a risk of doing too much, particularly if it jeopardizes retirement plans.

Other studies have noted that with more than 60 per cent of Canadians not having a company pension plan

to fall back on, many pre-retirees have not saved sufficiently to maintain anything resembling their current lifestyles. Some have chosen to work beyond traditional retirement years to maintain their standard of living.

At the other end of the age spectrum, young Canadians remain the most affected by the 2008-09 recession and the subsequent weak recovery.

TD Bank economist Francis Fong says poor economies always hit the young the hardest and this time is no exception. "Job growth has been completely non-existent for the boomerang kids since the recession," he said.

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Retail. Loblaw launches targeted loyalty program



The PC Plus loyalty program will be rolled out across Loblaw Cos. banners this year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada's largest grocer has launched a new digital loyalty program targeting customers with individually tailored promotions and recipes in an effort to drive sales and reduce reliance on flyers.

The Loblaw program, called PC Plus, targets customers based on their purchase histories, offering discounts on items they buy often and deeper discounts on products they might be interested in, but

need some incentive to try. The program will draw up grocery lists for customers and send them recipes for meals based on what they like and what's on sale, said Uwe Stueckmann, senior vice-president, marketing, for Loblaw Companies Limited.

"We really believe that PC Plus is a groundbreaking new way to look at loyalty," said Stueckmann. The program will be rolled out across Loblaw Cos. banners this year, including Joe Fresh, but not No Frills or Maxi.

Customers can download a free app to participate, sign up in store or register using their PC Financial Services card. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Daring to celebrate curves

A new homegrown publication is seeking to help elevate the profile of curvier women in the fashion world. Dare Magazine, an online offering for curvy women size 12-plus, has been launched by fourth-year Ryerson University fashion communications student Diana Di Poce. Describing herself as "plus-size all my life," Di Poce said she has long been interested in fashion and beauty magazines, but found representation of average-size women on their pages lacking. See daremag.ca for the first issue. THE CANADIAN PRESS

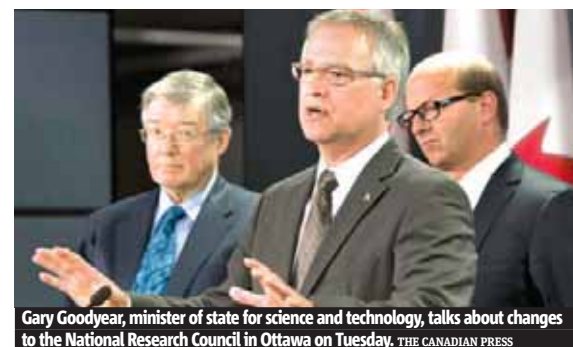


Feds tell research council to focus on helping industry

The Harper government is telling the National Research Council to focus more on practical, commercial science and less on fundamental science that may not have obvious business applications.

The government says the council traditionally was a supporter of business, but has wandered from that mandate in recent years — and will now get back to working on practical applications for industries.

The council has become a loose web of individual fiefdoms, each pursuing its own goals, Gary Goodyear, minister of state for science and technology, told a news conference Tuesday. The result, he said, was an inflexible agency that lost its ability to respond to the needs of industry. He said the revamped agency will concentrate on industrial research, new growth and business development.



Gary Goodyear, minister of state for science and technology, talks about changes to the National Research Council in Ottawa on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

trate on industrial research, new growth and business development.

"Today, the NRC embarks on an exciting, new journey — a redirection that will strengthen Canada's research and innovation ecosystem for many years

to come," Goodyear said. Kennedy Stewart, the NDP critic for science and technology, called the move a bad one that will hurt core research while offering a boon to companies reluctant to invest in research. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Q1 results

WestJet stock drops over new capacity concerns

WestJet Airlines Ltd.'s "best ever" quarterly earnings were overshadowed Tuesday by a drop in its stock, as investors worried whether the airline will be able to profitably fill its planes as it increases capacity.

Shares fell by as much as 13 per cent on the Toronto Stock Exchange, but recovered later in the day to close down \$1.85 or 7.5 per cent at \$22.87.

The airline posted a first-quarter profit Tuesday of \$91.1 million, or 68 cents per share, during the first three months of 2013, up from \$68.3 million, or 49 cents per share, in the same 2012 period.

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VIRTUAL REALITY BITES, TOO

What would you do if you found out someone was calling you a lying, cheating, perverted, sex maniac pedophile all over the Internet?

If all of this made-up propaganda was having a real impact on your career as a teacher?

If someone posted pictures of you naked on your own Facebook page?

What would you do if there was nothing you could do?

Welcome to Lee David Clayworth's nightmare. He's a 35-year-old Vancouver teacher who, back in 2010, was in a relationship with a woman named Lee Ching Yan when he was teaching in Malaysia. After a few weeks, she seemed increasingly vindictive and controlling, so he broke up with her — thereby driving his life into the ditch.

He says his former girlfriend broke into his apartment and swiped his laptop and hard drive — as well as his passport, money and all his clothes. That was bad enough, but it



JUST SAYIN'
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wasn't long before two-and-a-half years of online harassment began.

It's not hard to find verification for his accusation. Even today, the first reference that comes up when you Google Lee David Clayworth is a post on something called liarscheatersrus.com accusing him of cheating ... adding that he has a nasty STD to boot.

Clayworth sued Yan for defamation in Malaysia — and won. But that did nothing to stem the cyberbullying ruining his life. So he's taken to telling his story to the media, and now the defamation is tempered by numerous defenders rushing to his aid.

Still, it's going to take a while before his worldwide web reputation is restored. It would help if he could find his tormentor, but she could be in Australia. Or not. He doesn't know where she is; just that she's still wreaking havoc.

You could argue you should never post nude pictures of

yourself anywhere. Don't even get naked. Stay fully clothed. As we've all learned, your private stuff is not really private when phishers and hackers are determined to steal it. Lee David Clayworth probably learned that lesson nearly three years ago. He doesn't really need to keep learning it.

As for the rest of us, we're all learning, day after day, that the Internet is a new and powerful way to hurt other people. Malicious trolls and bullies violate our private places and make our lives a living hell, especially if we're already vulnerable. Just ask Amanda Todd. Just ask Rehtaeh Parsons.

The guys who invented the Internet had no idea it was going to turn into an instrument of torture. Never mind that it's a great place to learn how to make a bomb.

It's probably too late for Lee David Clayworth — if you were a school principal, would you hire the star of liarscheatersrus.com, even if you knew he was falsely accused? — but law enforcement is moving in to end the wild freedom and anonymity that characterizes the Internet.

Too bad, but it turns out virtual reality bites, too.

ZOOM

A heartbreaking pic of staggering cuteness



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Koala left homeless

He came back, only to find his home gone. This confused koala was found last month atop shredded bark, where once his woodland habitat stood, in Vittoria State Forest, some 185 kilometres west of Sydney, Australia. A forestry worker reported the marsupial to wildlife rescue service WIRES, who sent a volunteer to rescue the animal. **METRO**

Recovering at the vet before return to wild

The young sub-adult male koala was discovered with an eye infection, and was brought to a local veterinarian where he spent a few days in care. After his eye fully healed, the animal was released into a nearby koala habitat. "My feeling is that I am glad we were able to rescue the koala and take it into care in good time," WIRES general manager Leanne Taylor told Metro. **METRO**

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With Chris Hadfield's adventures in space making headlines in recent months, space exploration has gained a new dose of respect (and even a few new songs). If @Cmdr_Hadfield's 140 characters aren't enough to satiate your appetite, you can fill the black hole with these space blogs.



Bad Astronomy:

Formerly found on Discovery Magazine's website, Phil Plait's Bad Astronomy blog has now landed on Slate. Having worked on the Hubble telescope for 10 years, Plait knows a thing or two about the stars — and regularly debunks popular space myths.

Space:

Home to all things out of this world, Space.com posts accessible videos, graphics and articles about skies, stars and the search for life. If you don't

care to read about the stars, at least visit for the photos (and maybe you'll stay for the articles).

Basic Space:

Scientific America's space blog — cleverly named Basic Space — decodes space and astrophysics research. Don't really understand bosons? Me neither, but I do now thanks to writer Kelly Oakes (apparently, Margaret Thatcher was ahead of us on this and very clearly knew about the W Boson).

Letters

RE: Where Does Religion Fit In?, published May 6

I feel compelled to expand upon the writer's argument supporting a "hands-off" approach to her child's religious education by asking a few additional questions.

Why teach our children anything? Surely our kids would be better off never learning to read. Isn't that the only way to prevent them from being exposed to negative media, unfriendly text-messages or emails, or the need to count calories in food to the chagrin of their self-image?

Of course the fallacy in this argument is self-evident. We as parents have an opportunity (and responsibility)

ity) to provide our children with the tools and confidence to excel within society. This means investing in every aspect of their physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual upbringing.

To overlook the good within religion amidst the bad, is to throw the baby out with the baptismal water. Embracing religious illiteracy offers no protection, no comfort, and no direction. And it offers no assurances of a healthy development fuelled by personal choice, popular opinion and a world of relative truth.

What it does offer, is an easy way-out-approach to a common problem ... one that may not prove so easy in the end. Kudos — of course — on a very thought-provoking article. Best wishes to each parent on their own journey.

Gregory Day, Toronto

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Leonardo DiCaprio and Carey Mulligan star in the latest film rendition of *The Great Gatsby*. HANDOUT

Difficult finding the Great when it comes to Gatsby on big screen

New movie. Capturing the mood of one of the best books of the last 100 years has proven exceedingly difficult for filmmakers



IN FOCUS
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F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* is one of the best-known novels of the 1900s.

Dubbed one of the two best books of the last century by The Modern Library, these days *Gatsby* may be more familiar as the movie that reestablished Vincent Chase's career on the show *Entourage*.

On the HBO series, Chase (Adrian Grenier) was a fast-fading movie star until Martin Scorsese cast him in a movie based on the book. That fictional film became a big hit and put Chase back on top of the Hollywood heap.

This weekend *The Great Gatsby* comes to the big screen for real when Moulin Rouge director Baz Luhr-

mann unleashes a 3D version of the story starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Carey Mulligan.

It's not the first time the life and times of doomed Jazz Age millionaire Jay Gatsby has appeared in theatres.

In 1926, just one year after the book was published, a silent movie starring William Powell was released. The movie was popular with audiences but at least two paying customers weren't impressed.

Scott Fitzgerald and his wife, Zelda, walked out of a screening. Later an incensed Zelda wrote to her daughter, "We saw *The Great Gatsby* in

the movies. It's rotten!"

A 1949 film noir version spun the story to fit its lead actor. Movie tough guy Alan Ladd — billed as Ladd: Man of Violence and Mystery — stars in a cautionary tale about learning "the hard way about the wages of sin."

To play up to Ladd's core audience he's seen firing a machine gun in a story that focuses on *Gatsby*'s violent history as a bootlegger. Despite Ladd's fame and passion for the project (he personally convinced Paramount to make the film), the movie was not a success, and was eventually withdrawn by the

studio. To this day it's still hard to find a copy.

The most famous version to date starred two of the biggest stars of the 1970s: Robert Redford and Mia Farrow. Working from a script by Francis Ford Coppola — who lived in F. Scott Fitzgerald's home while he wrote the screenplay — the movie stays true to the novel. Embellished by beautiful set design and lush costumes, it's a treat for the eyes, but received tepid reviews. The *New York Times* wrote, "the movie itself is as lifeless as a body that's been too long at the bottom of a swimming pool."

The last women standing on American Idol

It hasn't been an easy road for the three final *American Idol* contestants.

Candice Glover was twice rejected by the show before making it to the final three. Kree Harrison chased her dream for so long in Nashville, she thought it might be time to give up. And Angie Miller sang a stirring dedication following the Boston bombing. Now the three will duke it out Wednesday on Fox as one is crowned the winner on next week's finale. Here are their stories.

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Candice Glover

The third time has been the charm for Candice Glover. She made it past the first round of *American Idol* auditions in Season 9 and Season 11, but didn't make it to the semifinals. This season, her slow, burning, powerful version of The Cure's *Lovesong* was called the greatest performance ever on the show by judge Randy Jackson.

Angie Miller

Angie Miller's poise and confidence seem as effortless as her high notes. One of her most rousing *Idol* performances came after the Boston Marathon bombings, when she dedicated the song *I'll Stand by You* to "my home, Boston."

Kree Harrison

American Idol finalist Kree Harrison has a piece of advice for aspiring contestants.

"You have to know who you are because if you don't, it's even harder."

The native Texan has spent the last 13 years in Music City chasing the dream, and part of that long journey has been maintaining her personal vision as an artist. That vision has landed her as one of three finalists on *Idol*.



The Word

Vonn and Woods take their romance public

Well, lookie here. Tiger Woods and Lindsay Vonn went out as an “official” couple.

The sports duo showed up together at the annual Costume Institute Gala at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC on Monday night.

But according to *Us Weekly*, their big night out wasn't without its problems, as Woods maybe had a little too much to drink.

At the gala's after-party at the Standard Hotel, the two did get handsy with one another (an onlooker tells the magazine they “chatted, drank, held hands and kissed for much of the night.”) But then around 2 a.m., a “seemingly tipsy” Woods fell on the ground and didn't move until Vonn helped him up.

Seems like an excellent ending to a first outing to me.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES



Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon

This isn't Love and Hip Hop

In an appearance on the KTLA Morning News, Nick Cannon defended his wife Mariah Carey and her on-going feud with co-judge Nicki Minaj on *American Idol*.

“My wife (had) foreseen all this. She tried to tell the network, ‘I don't think this is going to work. I'm afraid ... I don't need this.’” Cannon said Carey warned that pairing her and Minaj on the same panel

was “taking it in the wrong direction, because this is going to turn into one of those reality shows. She's like, ‘I didn't sign up to be on *Love and Hip Hop*.’”

But that doesn't mean Carey is letting the fighting bother her. Per Cannon: “She comes home and just doesn't have time for it. She's too busy trying to be the world's biggest superstar-mom.”



Kat Von D. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Sure, she gets cramps, but gender won't define Kat

In her third book, *Go Big or Go Home*, acclaimed tattoo artist and reality star Kat Von D delves deep to tell stories from her own life, as well as the experiences she's shared with clients. But she's still not sure if she's the ground-breaker she's made out to be.

In a recent interview with Metro, Von D says she doesn't want being a woman to define her career. “Although I feel lucky to be a girl because it's fun to be a girl, I get kind

of annoyed by these uber-feminists who make gender such a big part of who they are,” the reality TV star said when we asked her what it's like being a female tattoo artist in such a male-dominated industry.

“I don't think gender should define you. I've always wanted my work to speak for itself. So, as for the challenges of being in a male-dominated field? I get cramps once a month, but that's it.”



Ja Rule

Ja Rule leaves lockup after serving time for tax conviction

Federal authorities say platinum-selling rapper Ja Rule has left federal prison.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons says he left a correctional facility in New York's Adirondacks on Tuesday, though time remains on his sentence.

The bureau says the release date for the 36-year-old rapper, whose real name is Jeffrey Atkins, technically remains July 28, with possible community-based supervision for the balance. TMZ reports his wife picked him up and that he'll remain in home confinement until then. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Lauryn Hill

Lauryn Hill's going to jail

Looks like blaming slavery isn't enough to keep Lauryn Hill out of jail. In addition to having to pay a \$60,000 fine, the singer was sentenced yesterday in Newark, N.J. to three months of prison, three months of house arrest, and nine months of supervised release for not paying taxes on the \$1.5 million she made from 2005 to 2007. “I am a child of former slaves who had a system imposed on them. I had an economic system imposed on me. I sold 50 million units (and) now I'm up here paying a tax debt. If that's not likened to slavery, I don't know what is,” she told the judge in her defence. (The judge was not swayed.)

“I had an economic system imposed on me.” Is Lauryn Hill going to be the new spokesperson for the Tea Party? Better not tell her about Obamacare or else she's really going to flip.

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Powell's City of Books

Step back into the foggy mists of yesteryear — OK, maybe just a decade or two — when bookstores were still a viable enterprise. If Portland, as television's *Portlandia* suggests, does keep alive the dream of the '90s, then Powell's is its muse. People-watch, browse away or curl up in one of the comfy chairs. The block-long bookstore is a mainstay on tourism guides. It's a haven for used, out-of-print, rare or autographed books.

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Free things to do in Portland



Forest Park

Five thousand acres (2,023 hectares) of rolling hills, fire lanes and the simple stillness of the Oregon wild are within city limits, less than a 10-minute drive from downtown Portland. The park is best enjoyed by a slow amble up the Wildwood Trail, with creeks bubbling and chipmunks chittering under a shady conifer canopy. Only a short drive away is Washington Park, home to the International Rose Test Garden, with more than 10,000 rose plants.

Farmers Markets

For the daring, the curious and the shameless, Portland's farmers markets mean one thing: free tastes. Perhaps it's the Rogue River Blue Cheese at the Thursday market in Northwest. Or perhaps the carnivores in your group will make for the beef and chicken of Viridian Farms, darlings of the local restaurant scene. Samples of almost everything are made bite-sized and jammed on a toothpick, and markets can be found nearly every day of the week, anchored by the massive Saturday Market downtown.



Old West architecture

With all the flannel, unicycles and pour-over coffee, it's easy to forget that Portland was once an Old West town, a fact reflected in its architecture if you're willing to look hard enough. The best example is the Pioneer Courthouse downtown, the oldest federal building in the Pacific Northwest. The dark wood of its halls, constructed in 1869, make it a quiet refuge from the busy, adjacent courthouse square. Six blocks east bring you to The Lotus, opened as a "soda bar" during Prohibition (yeah, right) built underneath the Lotus Hotel, a reputed brothel.

Used stuff

Buffalo Exchange, the used clothing store chain, at those prices? Never. The most Portland part of Portland, the one that inspires the jokes, is on Hawthorne Boulevard, where you'll find House of Vintage, Red Light Clothing Exchange and half a dozen others. It's not just recycled clothing that sets this city apart. But you don't have to spend anything to take in the scene: browsing is free and people-watching is a sport.



Newfoundland

Seamus O'Regan talks The Rock



ON THE MOVE
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Seamus O'Regan, former co-host of Canada AM, is a broadcaster, writer and proud Newfoundlander. I recently chatted with him about his home province and why it should be on every traveller's

hit list.

What are the top three places people should visit in Newfoundland and Labrador?

Top of my list is the Torngat Mountains but that is so far north in Labrador, part of Canada's newest national park. Very difficult to get there; tough and expensive. You need to get to Goose Bay and from there to Nain, where you will need a helicopter and a boat. That is a very aspirational destination.

I think Gros Morne is unbelievable. It's a slice of Norway that's been put into

our country.

Signal Hill (in St. John's). There are very few cities in the world that have a national historic site and such a beautiful hike right in the city. My preferred route is up the hill by side of the road and then coming down the back along the cliff and into the city and then straight to the Duke of Duckworth.

Is that the best pub in St. John's?

It's my pub. The Duke was my home away from home. Allan Hawco (lead actor on the CBC's *Republic of Doyle*)

is more of aficionado. They replicated the Duke on a sound stage for the show. It's a genuine Newfoundland pub, the real deal. Owners are amazing.

When is the best time to go?

I like early July because that's when the iceberg season is meeting the whale season. Icebergs making their way down the Eastern seaboard and whales coming up. My friend Stan Cook has a sea kayaking operation in Cape Broyle that is legendary. To be on the surface of the water and see an iceberg and a whale — by



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Wine and dine.

There's still a few places to find some freebies in a destination known for its pricey offerings

Love the lush and lovely Napa Valley but hate how expensive it can be? You're not the first. In the late 19th century, writer Robert Louis Stevenson moved his honeymoon to the rustic but free setting of an abandoned mining camp when the \$10-a-week going rate for Calistoga hotels proved too much for his slender purse.

You're not likely to find free lodging today, but there are a number of things you can enjoy.

The scenery

There are two main ways to see the Napa Valley by car.

Highway 29 is a straight shot from the south end of the valley — marked by the famous Grape Crusher Statue

— through Napa, Yountville, Oakville, Rutherford, St. Helena and Calistoga. Along the way are dozens of restaurants and wineries, including the Robert Mondavi Winery and Inglenook, the winery restored by director Francis Ford Coppola. Be aware traffic gets heavy at rush hour and slows to a crawl when there's a big event going on, such as the annual wine auction held the first weekend in June.

To reach the Grape Crusher Statue from Highway 29 (heading north from the San Francisco Bay area), turn left onto Soscol Ferry Road, continue on Vista Point Drive, then continue onto Napa Valley Corporate Drive and then right at the statue.

The other driving option is the Silverado Trail, which is most easily picked up by taking the Trancas Street exit from Highway 29 in Napa and then turning left when you see the sign for the Silverado Trail. The trail more or less runs parallel to Highway 29 but is quieter, winding through green vistas of vineyards and rolling hills.



There's plenty of art to be enjoyed in Napa Valley. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wineries along this route include Mumm Napa Valley.

Wineries

The days when winery owners routinely poured their wares for free are no more, although several wineries offer two-for-one tasting coupons (check online before you visit), and others will waive tasting fees if you buy a bottle to take home. But there is still at least one winery offering tariff-free tasting. That

would be Sutter Home Family Vineyards — the people who introduced America to white zinfandel in the 1970s — in St. Helena. Stop by the charming tasting room on Highway 29 in St. Helena (277 St. Helena Highway) and taste up to four wines free from the eight-wine tasting menu, which includes a zinfandel port.

Markets

The Napa Valley is famous for fine dining and you can

Artful touring

More than 75 wineries have art on display all year long. Some of the places to see free art anytime include The Hess Collection's contemporary art museum, featuring works from the private collection of owner Donald Hess (4411 Redwood Road, Napa, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.), and The Baron Wolman Gallery at Markham Vineyards (2812 St. Helena Highway, St. Helena, open daily 11 a.m.-5 p.m.), with photographs by Wolman, Rolling Stone's first chief photographer.

watch some of the city's top chefs plying their trade at the Napa Chef's Market, a free weekly event on Thursday nights in downtown Napa. Traffic is rerouted so the market is like a big street party. There are two cooking demonstrations at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. where you can watch the food being made and then enjoy a taste when it's done. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Napa Valley can be expensive, but it doesn't have to be. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hollywood and Vine

Fame, fortune, wine.

California's wineries aren't just for the drinker — there's plenty of Tinseltown history here too

Sometimes visitors to MacMurray Ranch, the 1,500-acre (600-hectare) spread owned by movie and TV actor Fred MacMurray for a half-century, want to know: Where's the heliport? Where's the screening room?

Kate MacMurray, Fred's daughter, just smiles. "This was our home," she explains.

What visitors will find at the ranch is a place that's not much different than when the MacMurray family lived there, right down to the rocking chair with the wide flat arms just right for holding the actor's drink as he sat reading the paper in the evening, close enough to the window to keep an eye on the Black Angus cattle he raised.

MacMurray and his wife, actress June Haver, bought the ranch in 1941. The MacMurrays



The entrance to Francis Ford Coppola's winery. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

used it for diversified farming during World War II and later raised cattle.

The MacMurray Ranch is now owned by the Gallo wine family and open to the public only during the Sonoma Wine Country Weekend in August, but it's one of several California wineries with celebrity connections, including wineries owned by Godfather director Francis Ford Coppola, the late Davy Crockett star Fess Parker, and the late Perry Mason star Raymond Burr.

MacMurray, star of such classics as Double Indemnity and The Apartment, and later the star of the popular TV ser-

ies My Three Sons, spent his free time at the ranch and was deeply involved in the local agricultural scene. Photographs displayed in the property's refurbished barn show the couple with their prize cattle (owners and beast looking very spiffy). There are also a series of historical photographs following the evolution of the ranch from hops and prunes to livestock and now vines.

"If you held a mirror up to our ranch what would reflect back is the whole history of agriculture in Northern California," MacMurray points out. "It's quite remarkable."

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Have you noticed that the temp is rising?

Short and sweet. Who knew that the shortest posts could have the greatest impact?

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Have you considered what a temporary opportunity can offer you as a student or recent graduate? Temporary or contract work is often dismissed as precarious employment, but it can provide students and recent graduates with the opportunity to gain work experience, build their professional network and get a foot in the door in their industry. Temporary can mean anything from specialized projects looking for a specific skill-set, to personal leave coverage and vacation coverage.

"An assignment can range from days to several months," says Julie Chandler, division director of Accountemps. "Many (people) actually like the flexibility.



Always look at temporary work as a potential long-term position. This is your way to showcase your talent and individuality. ISTOCK

If you're looking for a temp-to-full-time benefit, a lot of organizations use this opportunity to evaluate the person

to see if they can be a long-time fit for the company. This includes evaluating an employee from a personality

perspective but also from a skill perspective."

According to Chandler, there are plenty of ways that managers can help temporary workers get off to a good start.

"Get on the same page and set up a game plan — students can contribute

quickly if they know what is expected from them ahead of time," she says. "Knowing who you are reporting to is also a part of the process that can make you a successful candidate and, most importantly, doing your research before you walk through the doors."

Words of the wise

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#QuestionoftheDay: Would you take a contract position in your dream job over a permanent position with benefits in a less desirable role?

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value that temp job can become a perm job!

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• @gwenwyw: Definitely. Any opportunity to even experience my dream job would be amazing. Opportunities are everywhere!

Quick tips

Chandler's top advice for success with temporary work:

- Do your research before joining an organization.
- Have realistic expectations — know you have to go into an organization to prove yourself.
- Maintain open communication with managers and ask for more detailed feedback and additional responsibilities to guarantee a greater probability of success on the job.

Students can be strong candidates if they know what the "job role" consists of and make sure to stay in contact with the placement agency and their managers, Chandler adds. This will help them get consistent feedback that can shape them as professionals, while also maintaining open communication with their current employers. Sharing constructive feedback and working as a part of a team is a skill that is strong and transferable.

With temporary work, students can gain more experience that can make them more marketable in the future.

Julie recommends that students approach every assignment with the same commitment that they would at a full-time job because you never know when a temporary commitment may become a full-time opportunity.

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Taking on the challenge of change

Where do you go from here? A major transition is on the horizon, and it's how you handle it that might just determine your destiny

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Going from a student to a fully formed adult can be a rocky transition. It's a stressful time filled with lots of changes: moving, job hunting, and saying goodbye to college friends as you go your separate ways.

As the old saying goes, the only thing that's certain in life is that things are going to change, so increasing your adaptability now will serve you well when you encounter unexpected life events down the road. So how do you deal with change? Here are a few tips:

Accept that you can't control everything

Things may not pan out exactly as you had envisioned for your



You're saying adios to one stage of your life and facing an uncertain future, which is both exciting and terrifying. How will you manage it? ISTOCK

career and life post-graduation. Your identity is in transformation mode, so things we were sure about in the past (friends, your career) now aren't so clear. While the unknown can be scary, there is also such a joy-

ful sense of opportunity about what's next. Daydream about the possibilities that are to come, or create a collage to act as your vision board. Optimism about what your future holds can be a real mood booster.

Enlist your friends and family for support

You're not the only one who's going through the transition after leaving school, so don't go it alone! Talk to a friend, family member, or a men-

tor you admire about what you're going through.

Sometimes you need a cheerleader in your corner, who will encourage you when you feel like you're stuck or overwhelmed. If you feel like you are better at expressing yourself through writing, keep a journal to keep tabs on how you're feeling.

Take action towards building your future

Now that you've left school, you have whole world of possibilities ahead of you. How can you start working towards your goals today? Perhaps you're not in your

dream job immediately upon graduation, but that's okay (and pretty common!).

What small, obtainable steps can you take today to start working towards your goals? Taking action can be the best way to move forward during this transformational time; it will help you avoid feeling stuck or helpless.

As Maya Angelou said, "If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude."

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First time cooking with lamb? Try this zesty lamb meatloaf

Ingredients

Meatloaf:

- 1 kg (2 lb) lean ground lamb
- 1/2 Spanish onion, diced
- 7 ml (1/2 tbsp) cracked black pepper
- 10 ml (2 tsp) cumin
- 2 eggs
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) bread crumbs

Pesto:

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) mustard seeds
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) fresh dill (or 15 ml/1 tbsp dried)
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) extra virgin olive oil
- 5 ml (1 tsp) sea salt

Glaze:

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) oil
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) onions, diced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) red peppers, diced
- 250 ml (1 cup) red pepper jelly
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) beef stock

You may have to ask your grocery store or butcher for ground lamb but it's a good way to start if you've never cooked with lamb before.

1. For pesto: Put the mustard seeds, fresh dill, oil and salt in a mortar and pestle and "grind" to make a chunky paste-like mixture. (Use a food processor if you do not have a mortar and pestle.) Set aside.

2. For meatloaf: Preheat oven to 200 C (400 F). In a bowl, mix with your hands the lamb, onion, pepper, cumin, eggs and bread crumbs until just incorporated. Don't over-mix the meat.

3. Transfer the meatloaf mixture into a shallow pan. The meat should be wider than it is tall. Spread the pesto over the top. Put meatloaf into the oven on the middle rack. Bake for 50-60 minutes or until internal

Ground Lamb Meatloaf with Pesto and Red Pepper Glaze



This recipe makes 4 servings. THE CANADIAN PRESS

temperature reaches 68 C (155 F). Remove from oven and rest about 10 minutes.

4. For the glaze, heat a heavy skillet to medium-high. Add

oil, onions, red pepper and sauté until onions begin to brown. Add the red pepper jelly, stirring until the jelly melts down. Add stock and reduce heat. Cook until mixture

has slightly thickened.

5. Slice the meatloaf, and pour warm red pepper glaze over each slice.

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Drink of the Week

Grey Goose Sling

- 1.5 oz Grey Goose L'Orange Vodka
- 0.5 oz freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 0.5 oz simple syrup
- 2 dashes Angostura orange bitters
- 5 blackberries
- Top with Perrier sparkling water

Add Grey Goose L'Orange, lemon juice, simple syrup, bitters and blackberries to a shaker and shake well. Strain over ice into an old fashioned glass. Top with Perrier and stir through delicately. Garnish with skewered blackberries.

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Impress dinner guests with an elegant Roasted Rack of Lamb



This recipe makes 4 servings. THE CANADIAN PRESS

1. Move oven rack to the centre position and preheat oven to 230 C (450 F).

2. In a large bowl, combine bread crumbs, garlic, rosemary, salt and pepper to taste. Toss in 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil to moisten mixture. Set aside.

3. Season the rack all over with salt and pepper. Heat 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil in a large heavy oven-proof skillet over high heat. Sear rack of lamb for 1 to 2 minutes on all sides. Set aside for a few minutes.

4. Brush rack of lamb with the mustard. Roll in the bread crumb mixture until evenly coated. Cover the ends of the bones with foil to prevent charring. Arrange the rack bone side down in the skillet.

5. Roast the lamb in preheated oven for 12 to 18 minutes, depending on the degree of doneness you want. With a meat thermometer, take a reading in the centre of the meat after 10 to 12 minutes and remove the

Ingredients

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) fresh bread crumbs
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) minced garlic
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) chopped fresh rosemary
- salt
- black pepper
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) olive oil (divided in half)
- 1 7-bone rack of lamb, trimmed and frenched
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Dijon mustard

meat, or let it cook longer, to your taste.

6. Let it rest for 5 to 7 minutes, loosely covered, before carving between the ribs.

Note: Allow internal temperature to be 5 to 10 degrees F less than you like because the meat will continue to cook while it sits. Bloody rare: 46 to 51 C (115 to 125 F). Rare: 51 to 54 C (125 to 130 F). Medium rare: 54 to 60 C (130 to 140 F). Medium: 60 to 65 C (140 to 150 F).

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Easy one-pot meal. Moroccan Lamb Stew



Ingredients

- 3 ml (3/4 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) pepper
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) allspice
- 1.6 kg (3 1/2 lbs) lamb shoulder, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 500 ml (2 cups) onions, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 22 ml (1 1/2 tbsp) fresh ginger, minced
- 325 ml (1 1/3 cups) water
- 2 large blood oranges, peeled and sectioned
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) honey
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) fresh parsley

1. Mix salt, pepper, cinnamon and allspice in a medium bowl. Add lamb and toss to coat.

2. Heat oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add lamb to pot and sauté until brown on all sides. Add onion, garlic and ginger to pot and sauté 5 minutes. Add water and bring to a boil. Reduce heat. Cover and simmer until lamb is tender.

3. Remove from heat. Add blood oranges and honey. Season with salt and pepper. Garnish with parsley and serve.

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World championship

Canada blows out Norway at Worlds

Steven Stamkos had a goal and three assists to pace Canada to a 7-1 win over Norway at the IIHF World Championship on Tuesday.

Canada (2-0-1) played its best first period of the tournament so far and led by four goals after the opening 20 minutes.

Taylor Hall had two goals with Andrew Ladd, Matt Duchene, Jeff Skinner and Claude Giroux also scoring for Canada. Jordan Eberle had two assists.

Canada was second in the Stockholm pool with seven points. Switzerland led with eight.

Russia (3-0) downed the United States 5-3 to top the Helsinki pool. Promoted Austria doubled Latvia 6-3 for their first win.

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CFL

Eskis haul in over \$200K in 2012

The Edmonton Eskimos earned a net profit of \$207,060 from 2012, the CFL club reported Tuesday at its annual general meeting.

The CFL club also announced that last year its sponsorship revenue increased by \$369,000 over 2011 while the distribution from the league was up by \$133,000 (\$2.209 million).

The Eskimos also experienced increases in gate receipts (\$451,000) as well as concessions and game-day revenues (\$467,000).

The club's overall operating expenses were \$18.8 million, an increase of \$1.9 million. THE CANADIAN PRESS



The Senators' Daniel Alfredsson checks the Canadiens' Michael Ryder into the boards during Game 4 of their first-round playoff series in Ottawa on Tuesday.

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Senators push Habs' backs up against wall

NHL playoffs.

Montreal on the brink of elimination after coughing up two-goal lead in Game 4

The Ottawa Senators have adopted the "Pesky Sens" nickname this season.

They lived up to that moniker in dramatic fashion on Tuesday night.

Kyle Turris scored at 2:32 of overtime as the Senators fought back from a 2-0 third-period deficit to defeat the Montreal Canadiens 3-2 and

Game 4

3	2
Senators	Canadiens

grab a 3-1 lead in their Eastern Conference quarter-final.

Turris took a shot from the sideboards that snuck past Habs backup goalie Peter Budaj, who came on for injured starter Carey Price at the start of overtime.

"That was a bit of a lucky

shot tonight but I'll take it," Turris said. "How we did it tonight, sticking around and kind of giving ourselves a chance to win ...

"You know, pesky."

A team ravaged by injuries all season, the Senators found a way to make the playoffs with a patchwork roster and now have the East's No. 2 seed on the brink of elimination.

"I really thought it was a heck of a playoff game," said Senators coach Paul MacLean, who could barely hide his smile. "They were better than us for a while, we were better than them for a while and at

the end of the night we get a goal to tie it up late and a goal in overtime ... that's the Stanley Cup playoffs."

Mika Zibanejad and Cory Conacher had the other goals for Ottawa, which got 26 saves from Craig Anderson in a game that the Canadiens controlled for lengthy stretches.

"We came to play. We came to play and that's exactly what we did," said Canadiens coach Michel Therrien, whose team will look to stay alive in Game 5 at home on Thursday night. "We certainly deserved a better fate."

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Isles proving a pesky match for Penguins



Islanders blue-liner Mark Streit defends Pittsburgh Penguins centre Sidney Crosby during Game 4 of their first-round playoff series on Tuesday night in Uniondale, N.Y. KATHY WILLENS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Leads aren't safe in the wild first-round playoff matchup between the New York Islanders and Pittsburgh. Suddenly, neither are the top-seeded Penguins.

Through four games of the best-of-seven series, both teams have two wins. The latest big momentum shift has swung sharply in the direction of the No. 8 Islanders.

John Tavares scored with 9:49 left, and the Islanders beat the Penguins 6-4 Tuesday night to get even in the series that

Game 4

6	4
Islanders	Penguins

will resume with Game 5 in Pittsburgh on Thursday night.

"We found a way today. Another roller coaster ride," Tavares said. "We learned from

those games when we gave up leads — a lot of us said that one bounce can change a season."

Or end one.

The Penguins were ousted in the first round in each of the previous two years. They now face the prospect of another early summer if they can't turn things around quickly.

"We just need to regroup here. We'll come out ready to go and fired up in our own building," said Penguins forward James Neal said.

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Happ's horrific injury overshadows Jays win

MLB. Toronto gets third victory in a row for the first time this season, but starting pitcher hospitalized by line drive

Blue Jays pitcher J.A. Happ was hit in the head by a line drive and taken off the field on a stretcher during Toronto's 6-4 win over the Tampa Bay Rays on Tuesday night.

The team said Happ was taken to Bayfront Medical Center, where he was alert and undergoing tests. Nursing supervisor Natasha Keller told The Associated Press that Happ had been admitted to the hospital and was in stable condition.

In a frightening scene at Tropicana Field, Desmond Jennings' second-inning liner caromed squarely off the left



Blue Jays starting pitcher J.A. Happ lays on the ground after being hit in the head by a Desmond Jennings' line drive on Tuesday in St. Petersburg, Fla. Happ was rushed to hospital to undergo tests and was listed in stable condition. MIKE CARLSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

side of Happ's head with a loud "thwack!" that could be heard up in the press box.

The ball went all the way into the bullpen in foul territory halfway down the right-field line. Happ dropped face down at the front of the mound, holding his head with

his glove and bare hand.

"It's devastating. ... I could barely watch it," Dickey said. "You just don't know what to think, really. It paralyzes you a little bit. And when it sounds like two bats, when you hear the sound off the bat and it sounds like it hits another bat,

it's scary."

The Blue Jays grabbed a 6-4 lead in the ninth on Maicer Itzuris' solo homer and an RBI double by Melky Cabrera off Joel Peralta (0-2). Toronto, which trailed by three early on, tied it at 4 in the eighth on Jose Bautista's RBI double.

Toronto was coming off an 8-7 win over the Rays on Monday night in which the Blue Jays rallied from a 7-0 deficit.

Adam Lind put the Blue Jays up 1-0 in the second on his first homer this season. Cody Rasmus cut the deficit to 4-3 on a two-run homer in the seventh.

Steve Delabar (3-1) threw two scoreless innings before Casey Janssen pitched the ninth for his ninth save. The Blue Jays have won three in a row for the first time this season.

Tampa Bay starter Roberto Hernandez went six innings, allowing one run and five hits. He had seven strikeouts and one walk. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Near-perfection with a side of shaving cream pie

Justin Turner of the New York Mets hits teammate Mike Baxter with a shaving cream pie after Baxter's walk-off RBI single in the 10th inning on Tuesday night in New York City. Matt Harvey pitched one-hit ball for nine innings in a nearly perfect performance and the Mets allowed just one baserunner all game in beating the Chicago White Sox 1-0.

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Tennis

Djokovic stunned, Raonic ousted at Madrid Open

Grigor Dimitrov stunned Novak Djokovic while Canada's Milos Raonic saved two match points but eventually lost to Fernando Verdasco in second-round action at the Madrid Open on Tuesday.

The 28th-ranked Bulgarian, Dimitrov, defeated the top-ranked Serb 7-6 (6), 6-7 (8), 6-3 for the biggest win of his career.

Dimitrov saved three set points in the first before taking the lead, and Djokovic then appeared to hurt his right ankle when trailing 4-2 in the second. Djokovic slipped on the baseline and winced in pain, then immediately called for a trainer and took a lengthy break to get treatment.

Raonic saved two match points but sent a forehand long on a third, sending the Canadian to a loss against Fernando Verdasco and another second-round exit at the Madrid Open. Verdasco, playing on his home turf, outlasted Raonic 6-4, 2-6, 7-6 (7). **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NBA playoffs. Carmelo does the trick for Knicks

Carmelo Anthony scored 32 points, 16 during a 30-2 New York onslaught in the second half, as the Knicks beat the Indiana Pacers 105-79 on Tuesday night to even the Eastern Conference semifinals at 1-1.

Iman Shumpert added 15 points, including a sensational follow dunk in the first half, and Raymond Felton scored 14 as the Knicks turned a close game into a blowout over the final 15 minutes.

Paul George scored 20 points for the Pacers, who had a two-point lead and momentum when coach Frank Vogel called timeout with a little more than three minutes left in the third quarter.

By the time the Pacers got on the board in the final period, the Knicks had opened a 26-point advantage.

"I thought tonight they made all the hustle and necessary plays for us to win this game, and that was nice to see," Knicks coach Mike Woodson said.

Game 3 is Saturday at Indianapolis.

David West scored 13 points for the Pacers, who committed 21 turnovers that led to 32 points, negating their height advantage that loomed so large in their Game 1 victory.



Knicks forward Carmelo Anthony shoots past the Pacers' Jeff Pendergraph on Tuesday in New York. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Indiana had trailed most of the night before taking a 64-62 lead on George Hill's three-pointer with 3:28 left in the third that capped a 10-4 run.

Vogel then called timeout and subbed out centre Roy Hibbert. Seeing the middle open, Anthony attacked, first with a drive and then a dunk while drawing a foul that knocked on Hibbert's replacement, Jeff Pendergraph, and the game was never the same.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS

(Best-of-7 series; All times Eastern)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

PITTSBURGH (1) V. NY ISLANDERS (8)

(Series tied 2-2)

Tuesday's result

N.Y. Islanders 6 Pittsburgh 4

Thursday's game

N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

MONTREAL (2) VS. OTTAWA (7)

(Ottawa leads 3-1)

Tuesday's result

Ottawa 3 Montreal 2 (OT)

Thursday's game

Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.

WASHINGTON (3) V. NY RANGERS (6)

(Washington leads 2-1)

Monday's result

N.Y. Rangers 4 Washington 3

Wednesday's game

Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.

BOSTON (4) VS. TORONTO (5)

(Boston leads 2-1)

Monday's result

Boston 5 Toronto 2

Wednesday's game

Boston at Toronto, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CHICAGO (1) VS. MINNESOTA (8)

(Chicago leads 3-1)

Tuesday's result

Chicago 3 Minnesota 0

Thursday's game

Minnesota at Chicago, 9:30 p.m.

ANAHEIM (2) VS. DETROIT (7)

(Series tied 2-2)

Monday's result

Detroit 3 Anaheim 2 (OT)

Wednesday's game

Detroit at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

VANCOUVER (3) VS. SAN JOSE (6)

(San Jose leads 3-0)

Tuesday's result

Vancouver at San Jose

Sunday's result

San Jose 5 Vancouver 2

ST. LOUIS (4) VS. LOS ANGELES (5)

(Series tied 2-2)

Monday's result

Los Angeles 4 St. Louis 3

Wednesday's game

Los Angeles at St. Louis, 9 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(Best-of-7 series; All times Eastern)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

MIAMI (1) VS. CHICAGO (5)

(Chicago leads 1-0)

Monday's result

Chicago 93 Miami 86

Wednesday's game

Chicago at Miami, 7 p.m.

Friday's game

Miami at Chicago, 8 p.m.

NEW YORK (2) VS. INDIANA (3)

(Series tied 1-1)

Tuesday's result

New York 105 Indiana 79

Saturday's game

New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14

New York at Indiana, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

OKLAHOMA CITY (1) V. MEMPHIS (5)

(Oklahoma City leads 1-0)

Tuesday's result

Memphis at Oklahoma City

Saturday's game

Oklahoma City at Memphis, 5 p.m.

Monday, May 13

Oklahoma City at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.

SAN ANTONIO (2) V. GOLDEN STATE (6)

(San Antonio leads series 1-0)

Monday's result

San Antonio 129, Golden State 127, 20T

Wednesday's game

Golden State at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.

Friday's game

San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

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Wednesday's games — All times Eastern

Houston at D.C., 7 p.m.

Montreal at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Salt Lake at New England, 8 p.m.

Seattle at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

Portland at Dallas, 9 p.m.

Toronto at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

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Manchester City 1 West Brom 0

Swansea 3 Wigan 2

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	21	12	.636	—
Baltimore	20	13	.606	1
New York	18	13	.581	2
Tampa Bay	14	18	.438	6½
Toronto	13	21	.382	8½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	19	11	.633	—
Kansas City	17	12	.586	1½
Cleveland	16	14	.533	3
Minnesota	14	15	.483	4½
Chicago	13	18	.419	6½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	20	13	.606	—
Oakland	18	16	.529	2½
Seattle	15	19	.441	5½
Los Angeles	11	21	.344	8½
Houston	9	24	.273	11

Tuesday's results

Baltimore 4 Kansas City 3

Cleveland 1 Oakland 0

Minnesota 6 Boston 1

Toronto 6 Tampa Bay 4

Houston 7 L.A. Angels 6

Wednesday's games — All times Eastern

Kansas City (Mendoza 0-1) at Baltimore

(Tillman 2-1), 7:05 p.m.

Oakland (Griffin 3-2) at Cleveland (Master-

son 4-2), 7:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Hernandez 1-0) at Boston

(Webster 0-0), 7:10 p.m.

Toronto (Romero 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Moore

5-0), 7:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (Blanton 0-5) at Houston (Nor-

ris 3-3), 8:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Tuesday's results

Chicago Cubs 2 St. Louis 1

Cincinnati 5 Atlanta 4

Miami at San Diego

Arizona at L.A. Dodgers

Philadelphia at San Francisco

INTERLEAGUE

Pittsburgh 4 Seattle 1

Detroit at Washington, postponed

N.Y. Mets 1 Chicago White Sox 0 (10)

Milwaukee 6 Texas 3

Colorado 2 N.Y. Yankees 0.

2013 Ford Explorer Sport

Review. Competency on and off road coupled with fuel economy is now a reality, says Ford

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In most cases, the term “sport utility vehicle” ranks as one of the most improperly used appellations ever devised, especially the “sport” part. But some members of this big-and-tall category, like the 2013 Ford Explorer Sport, actually get it right.

If you equate the word “sport” with a muscular demeanor, this unique Explorer trim level is right up your alley, or off-road path.

Keeping it all well planted on the road involves strengthening the Explorer’s chassis, adding stiffer springs and shocks and installing a brace inside the engine compartment connecting the front strut towers. The brakes are bigger and the electric power steering has been retuned to be more direct.

Although quick enough to 60 mph (96 km/h) — in the low-six-second range, claims Ford — the Explorer Sport is



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no match for the 2014 Grand Cherokee Jeep SRT, which rips to the same speed in 4.8 seconds. And in the towing department, the SRT’s 3,270-kilogram rating trumps the Sport’s 2,270-kilogram capacity.

However, the 2,230-kilogram Sport’s base price of \$51,000 is about \$14,700 less than the 2,360-kilogram SRT’s \$65,700 total. As well, the Explorer Sport’s fuel numbers of 13.2 l/100 km in the city and 8.8

on highway are better than the SRT’s 18.0/12.4 figures while offering seating for seven, versus the Grand Cherokee’s five.

It’s finished off with a premium-attired interior that includes leather-trimmed seats with contrasting inserts. The fronts are power-adjustable and heated. Also standard is a rearview camera, 12-speaker Sony audio system and MyFord Touch connectivity for the audio, communication and cli-

mate controls.

Beyond that, the Sport can be dressed up with pace-setting adaptive cruise control, dual-panel moonroof, power liftgate, heated and cooled seats and a navigation system. You can also opt for inflatable rear seatbelts that, along with the side-curtain airbags, are designed to provide additional cushioning support for those in back in the event of a collision.

Keep in mind that dramatic-

ally upping the Sport’s content level pushes it closer to the Jeep SRT’s base price.

Ultimately, the Explorer Sport does live up to its handle, but it’s far from an out-and-out power-is-the-object, go-anywhere wagon. In that regard, it offers a fair balance of lively performance, passenger comfort and cargo capacity, at a price that’s within reach of eager “sport” utility vehicle patrons.

2013 Ford Explorer Sport

- **Type.** Four-door, four-wheel-drive wagon
- **Engines (hp).** 3.5-litre DOHC V6, twin-turbocharged (365)
- **Transmissions.** Six-speed automatic
- **Base price (incl. destination)** \$51,000

Design

Specialized body bits such as a darkened mesh-style grille combine with a similarly shaded lower air intake/spoiler to produce a somewhat menacing presence. Completing the look is a set of stylish 20-inch wheels wrapped in performance tires that leave a 23-centimetre-wide footprint.



Those stylish 20-inch wheels.

Power and torque

Like the Grand Cherokee SRT, the Explorer Sport includes standard four-wheel-drive, and it operates in conjunction with Ford’s Terrain Management System that has been specifically calibrated to suit the Sport’s needs. Included are specific power and torque settings for sand, snow and mud.

Engine

You’ll find the comparatively humble 3.5-litre twin-turbocharged “Eco-boost” V6 under the hood, which is also found in the SHO Taurus and Ford F-150 pickup. The Explorer Sport is the only Explorer to get this engine, which is matched to a six-speed automatic transmission with paddle-shift controls.

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Luxury Rover is a thoroughbred

Second gear. Land Rover Range Rover 2003-2009

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Capable, luxurious and packing world-class comfort features, the last-generation Land Rover Range Rover hit the road with V8 or supercharged V8 power, four-wheel drive and a long list of goodies when it launched in 2002. Feature content included dual-zone climate control, a sunroof, navigation and plenty more. Air suspension, a CD changer and xenon lights were on board, too.

Depending on the year and model in question, this posh off-roader could be kitted up via numerous trim levels and option packages to suit a variety of tastes and budgets.



Common Issues

The Range Rover is full of electronics that can experience issues, so approach looking for signs of trouble. Be sure all electrically-operated accessories function as expected, and check for any warning lights or messages in the instrument cluster or driver computer. Have the air suspension checked out by a Land Rover mechanic after you toggle it through its various settings to confirm

it operates without any warning lights illuminating. This is an expensive-to-repair system that will eventually wear out and fail. Be sure to toggle the 4x4 system between its various modes too, checking for signs of trouble along the way. Check the owner's manual for proper shifting procedures, noting any unusual sounds or failure to shift into the selected mode.

What owners like



Luxury, go-anywhere capability, exclusivity and a great deal of "presence" are noted by owners. Smooth performance and an ultra-posh cabin are also noted. All said, owners seem to have enjoyed a driving experience rich with luxury and capability.

What owners dislike



Complaints were minimal, though most owners wish for better fuel mileage.

Engines



Look for a V8 engine on all models, built by BMW during that automaker's ownership of the Land Rover brand until 2006. When Land Rover was purchased by Jaguar, a Jaguar V8 was fitted instead. Both engines displaced 4.4 litres, and the Jaguar mill could be had with a supercharger.

The verdict

The main attraction to a used Range Rover is luxury, performance and pedigree. If you're after a cheap-to-run sport ute, this isn't the model for you. Opting against a supercharged model will reduce your fuel bill slightly.

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The shoe will fit

Germany-based Vitallo specializes in bespoke footwear for business and pleasure. The latter includes the company's Monopostoline racing/driving shoes that are custom-created for the wearer. The ordering process is as unique as the shoes themselves. You first choose from a wide variety of leathers (18 colors in total), thread and soles from the order form. The next step is to make an impression of your feet using a special foam block. Upon receipt, Vitallo's artisans will begin constructing your shoes, which is a process that normally takes between eight and 12 weeks. A pair of Monopostolines, which by the way do not require socks to be worn, will set you back about \$2,400. If the price doesn't scare you, head over to vitallo.com.



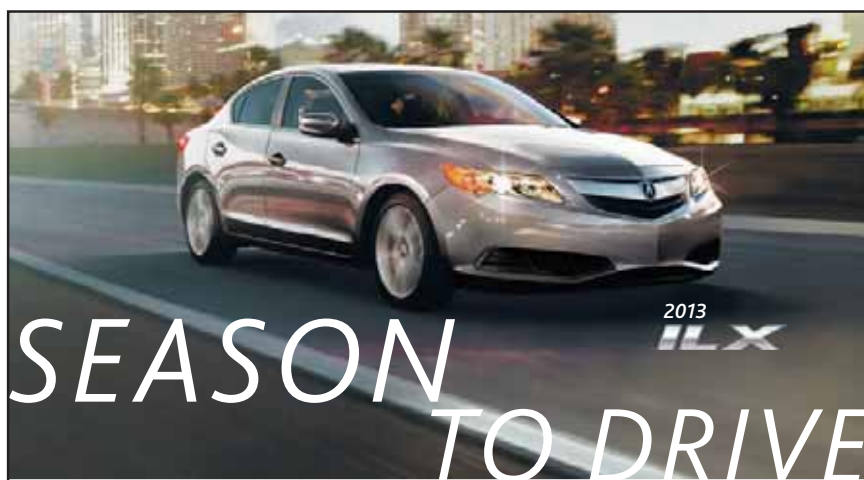
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If you have ever driven out of your garage and then wondered if you closed the garage door, you're not alone. According to the manufacturer of the Garage Butler, forgetting to close the garage door and leaving your home exposed to theft or the elements is a relatively common occurrence. The company's patented device eliminates the problem by automatically closing the door once you've departed. The system can be set to close after a specified elapsed time period. The Garage Butler works in conjunction with your existing automatic opener, and sells for \$90. Visit garagebutler.com.



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Family road trip anybody?

Preparation is key. A vehicle check up, GPS and entertainment for the kids top the list of things you need to have prior to departure

The arrival of warm weather brings about the excitement and possibility of vacations, long weekends and road trips. Every year a number of Canadians decide to forgo the stress of air travel in favour of exploring their country by taking to the open road.

To make your trip as comfortable, functional and safe as possible, it's best to plan ahead, get organized and make sure you have a few essentials.

First, it's a good idea to have your car checked out by a certified technician, who will identify, perform maintenance and repair any issues your car may have. This step helps you avoid expensive or inconvenient repairs during your vacation.

Once the car is road-ready, it's time to get organized. For families this can be a monumental task, so



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leading retailer, Canadian Tire, says there are several storage solutions on the market. Many are designed to tame car clutter and create extra room for road trip essentials like games, toys, snacks and drinks.

Outside of the car, consider using a roof rack to safely store your camping gear and a sport rack so that you can bring along your gear.

To keep the kids entertained — and to minimize

the collective "are we there yet" — don't forget the portable DVD player and some toys.

To avoid any lost time consider investing in a GPS unit to navigate your way to your destination. Always keep an emergency road kit in your car to help you stay safe during your road trip. It's also a good idea to keep the appropriate tools in the trunk in case you get a flat tire.

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My children need to ditch the Mother's Day card and clean her car instead

Autopilot. The car makeover for that appreciative time of year could be a new tradition in my house



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Hard up for a way to celebrate Mother's Day?

Usually I'm not full of sug-

gestions. Usually I could only suggest gift ideas to stay away from, based on the reactions they created on Mother's Days gone by. For example, as Mother's Day gifts, I would definitely stay away from groceries, laundry detergent, and

personal coupons redeemable for household chores you're already expected to complete. Actually the coupons are mostly all right, as long as you don't make them, as I did one year, with really tight expiry dates.

But Canadian Tire recently

tuned me into a great way to honour the mother in your family on her special day — clean her car inside and out. They also suggested families could add some relevant accessories, to give her something approaching a "Mother's Day Car Makeover."

Of course the fine folks at Canadian Tire want to sell car cleaning products and accessories, but they're definitely on to the spirit of Mother's Day. Mothers just love it when their families — and especially the kids — turn the tables, and work in love for the mothers, as the mothers work in love for their families every other day of the year. Excuse me, I seem to be tearing up a bit here... must get a tissue. Oh damn, I just wish I had more tears, so I could clean Mother's car completely with tears!

If tears aren't handy, go with a power washer.

That's how the team at Canadian Tire started cleaning our family car, driven mostly by the mother in our family, my wife Diane. As part of a press function, Canadian

Tire offered to clean the Fit to show off the company's do-it-yourself cleaning and car organizational products, and to promote the concept of the Mother's Day Car Makeover.

And clean it they did. It looked — and smelled — incredible. I was particularly impressed with Autoglym's Aqua Wax, which proved to be a quick an easy way to give your ride a protective and shiny wax job. You spray it on while the car is still wet after washing. They you just spread it around with a micro-fibre cloth, and dry and shine it with another, and you're done.

Our teenage kids, Amelia and Jared, were invited to help clean, to make Mom feel more special, but they were not available. We didn't give them enough notice. They couldn't clear their schedules. But they promised to have their people call our people and set up a meeting to discuss other Mother's Day proposals.

So this column could have been how Amelia and Jared cleaned their mom's car for Mother's Day. Now it's to shame them into doing something else. In keeping with the auto theme, Jared, how about replacing the Honda's timing chain? I believe its due for one. It's also due for an air conditioning service. Amelia, I know a container of refrigerant and socket set with your name on them.

Failing that, maybe a coupon for cleaning the Fit the next time its needs it (with no expiry date on the coupon.)

Quoted

"Mothers just love it when their families — and especially the kids — turn the tables and work in love for their mothers, as the mothers work in love for their families every other day of the year."

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Engines flourish with a regular oil change

Driving Force. Give what's under your hood a longer shelf life by following the owner manual's lubricant schedule

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Any time your engine is running, there are parts inside it moving at several thousand times a minute, and with little more than the width of a human hair separating them from other components. Without sufficient oil for lubrication, the engine will quickly seize and become irreparably damaged.

"Engines heat up as they operate, and metal expands, so if you didn't have oil, the heat would cause the metal parts to contact," says Sean Martell, category business manager for oil and oil change at Canadian Tire. "Oil protects engine parts from wear, it helps take heat away from the engine so it can operate at a consistent temperature, and it captures dirt and debris that gets into the engine."

Oil contains additives and antioxidants to help protect your engine, but

these eventually break down.

Changing the oil at regular intervals helps to prevent premature engine wear.

Whenever the engine is running, oil is circulated through it by an internal oil pump.

It passes through the oil filter, a canister that's screwed onto the engine, which traps larger dirt particles suspended in the oil. The filter is disposable and should be replaced with every oil change.

Having the right amount of oil in the engine is important, too. Too much can be just as bad as too little, since the oil will foam and won't provide proper protection.

It's best to follow the oil change schedule recommended by the manufacturer for your vehicle.

"If you go a little past your interval, the oil doesn't stop working, but it does lose its capacity," Martell says. "In the owner's manual, there's usually a standard schedule and then one for 'severe duty' (which is more frequent)."

"It's not that severe, and over 80 per cent of Canadians drive in what is considered severe duty, including a range of temperatures, a lot of stop-and-go traffic and short trips, and a mix of

dirt and paved roads. All of these put more stress on the engine. There's no harm to your car by changing the oil

more frequently, but if you follow the directions, your engine will last for a longer time."

Things to note

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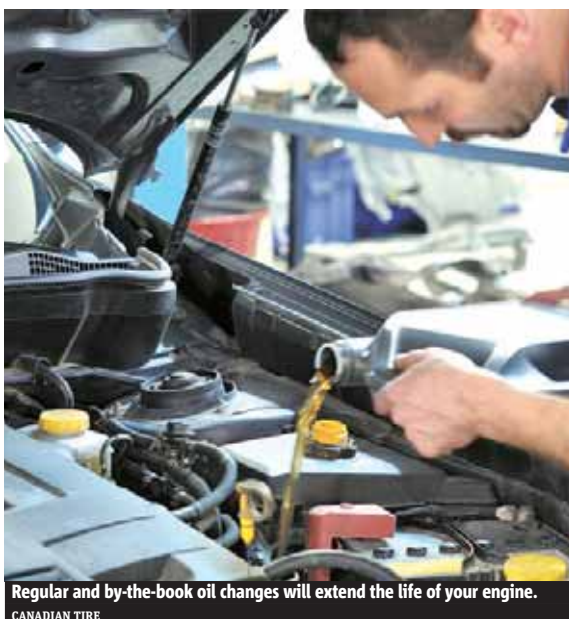


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Presenting ... the new fastback

Auto Know. Even fastbacks with four doors offer an image of speed and excitement

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What's in a roof? Well, if history provides any sort of clue, a smooth shape means speed and luxury, no matter how many doors it has.

New offerings from Porsche, Audi, BMW, Jaguar, Mercedes-Benz, and even Honda, haven't invented a new class so much as joined a long list of automakers that have sought on and off since the early 1940s to distinguish themselves with a roofline style known as the "fastback."

Quoted

"The roof, shoulder and sill lines appear to have been drawn with a single stroke."

Audi design chief Stefan Sielaff
On why the fastback is aerodynamic and sleek

This design ideal will be familiar to anyone with even a passing interest in automobiles; think back to the 1970s and the iconic Ford Mustang and Torino, the first Dodge Charger, Jaguar E-Type and Datsun 240Z, in which rooflines plunged dramatically in an extended sweep from the roof to the rear end, leaving no trace of a trunk compartment hanging ungainly behind the rear wheels.

Other more modern, iconic examples include the Porsche 356 and 911, Toyota Celica and the Aston Martin DB5, made wildly famous by the passenger-ejecting, oil-slick-spreading, tire-shredding sports car featured in the classic James Bond movie Goldfinger.

Many might tend to think of fastbacks as rakish two-door coupes, though numerous four-door sedans have received the treatment over the years, including the Oldsmobile Cutlass Salon and Buick Century of the early 1980s that some say clumsily brought the design back into fashion at that time.

According to the Beaulieu Encyclopedia of the Automobile, the design concept actually stems from the early 1930s when automobile designs that were ahead of

their time included "teardrop streamlining at the rear" and which would, 25 years later, come to be called fastback.

American fastbacks produced by the then Big Three — Chrysler, Ford and General Motors — were known early on as "torpedo backs."

Merriam-Webster first recognized "fastback" as a definition in 1954, many years before the term "hatchback" was popularized and entered the dictionary in 1970.

Depending on to whom you speak, the terms fastback and hatchback are either complementary or mutually exclusive; there seems to be little grey area on the topic.

The Road & Track Illustrated Automotive Dictionary defines fastback as, "a closed body style, usually a coupe but sometimes a sedan, with a roof sloped gradually in a unbroken line from the windshield to the rear edge of the car."

"A fastback naturally lends itself to a hatchback configuration and many have it, but not all hatchbacks are fastbacks and vice versa." In fact, the 1963 Corvette coupe has neither a truck or hatchback.

From outrageously designed finned fastbacks by Czechoslovakian manufacturer Tatra through the 1930s, '40s and '50s, to one of, arguably, the most beautiful cars on the road today, the four-door Mercedes-Benz CLS, the fastback treatment has graced some of the more memorable automotive designs to ever roll down a highway.

Suggestive of speed and excitement, fastbacks offer an advantage in designing cars with



The Dodge Cornet was given a fastback and called the Charger.

slippery aerodynamic qualities that cut the air cleaner than other, more boxy designs.

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and rolling resistance.

Audi design chief Stefan Sielaff characterizes the A7

design. "The roof, shoulder and sill lines appear to have been drawn with a single stroke."



The latest Bond car is the Aston Martin with fastback.

Quoted

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Exert from The Road and Track Illustrated Automotive Dictionary

— 98 centimetres compared to 97 in the Porsche — despite appearing smaller with an even more steeply raked back end.

Honda's much smaller Crosstour blends "sporty, low-profile contours" with the functionality of a station wagon, and offers very nearly as much rear seat headroom (95 centimetres) as the much larger Porsche and Jaguar.

Whether you're in the market for a ride that's visually exciting at the high end of the scale, or something more widely affordable, the fastback could be an idea whose time has come, once again.



The Audi A7 fastback looks sleek, smooth and stylish. ALL IMAGES WHEELBASE

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Some issues should be taken seriously but others are just not worth the effort and what happens today falls squarely in the latter category. Don't waste your time and energy on trivial things, or trivial people.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Major changes are in the air and you will be at the center of them. It isn't true, as some people claim, that Taurus types stick with the tried and trusted.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You may feel restricted in one area but maybe that is a sign from the universe that you should be concentrating your efforts in a different area entirely. Give it some thought over the next 24 hours.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You may not be as forceful as some people but you have your moments now and again. With Mercury and Mars acting together today you will find ways to persuade the world to take care of your needs.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

No matter how smart you may be there will always be someone who is smarter and you forget that fact at your peril. If you know when you have met your match you won't have any problems today.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

No matter how daunting the task that confronts you today you will tackle it head on and make a huge success of it. Later in the week you will be more relaxed about life.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Your thought processes are moving so fast at the moment that you come up with answers to questions that have not even been asked yet.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You may be tempted to give a friend some advice today but the planets warn that probably isn't such a good idea. On this occasion it might be wise to keep your mouth shut.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You have never been the sort to play safe and you are not about to start now. If you take some sort of gamble today it may well pay off but don't forget that there are no guarantees.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You need to give yourself a bit more space and find ways to spend time on your own. There are so many things that need doing this month and your workload is sure to increase, so relax while you can.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Make time for your nearest and dearest today. Your work schedule may be punishing but even if you get through it all it won't bring you anywhere near the satisfaction that spending time with your loved ones does.

Pisces

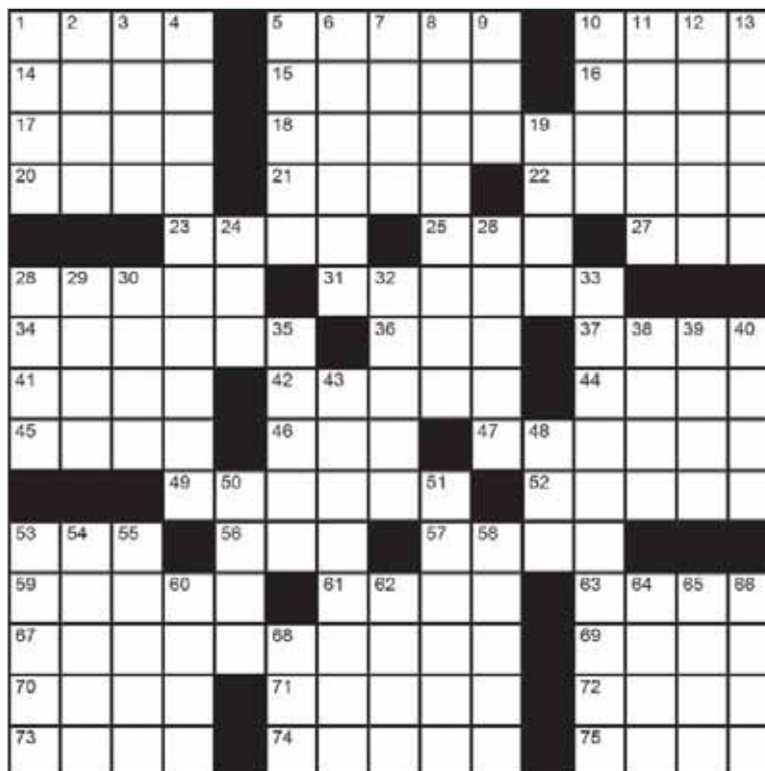
Feb. 20 - March 20

Some people will always be critical of your efforts and they are the people you should always ignore. You know they are driven mainly by jealousy, so pretend they don't exist — that will annoy them even more! **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. "___ sure you already know...": 2 wds.
5. ___ world record
10. Just about
14. Bible pronoun
15. Friend: Italian
16. Pledge
17. Pulls along
18. Ottawa-born impressionist: 2 wds.
20. Search
21. ___ it (Is a con-spirator)
22. Prairies product
23. Existence
25. Wynonna's sis
27. Yukon's li'l neighbour
28. Dog of Japan
31. The Book of ___ (Show in Toronto)
34. Pronoun
36. Wee weekday
37. 'Def' suffix
41. General Robert ___
42. Not now
44. Flimsy
45. Prophet
46. Island: French
47. Northern Pike's "___ You Fool"
49. Fancy fabrics
52. Ms. Blanchett's
53. Toast topping
56. Jogged
57. Related
59. "The Untouchables" role, ___ Ness
61. Betting card game
63. BMO competitor
67. Canada's ___ (North of Toronto amusement park)



Down

1. Tourist ___. (Places on postcards)
2. Boot alternative
3. "Thanks, ___ you one."
4. Stratford Festival play starting May 18th, The Three ___
5. Traditional outfits
6. Marshall Mathers, to rap fans
7. Mr. Torres, Bon Jovi drummer
8. Canadian supermodel, Monika ___
9. "You've Got Mail." co.
10. Chris of "The Good Wife"
69. Lively circle dance
70. Barenaked Ladies song
71. Ill-fated luxury liner in 1956, Andrea ___
72. British actor Clive
73. Not as much
74. Dishonest one
75. Some rodents

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



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THURSDAY



MAX: 23°
MIN: 10°

FRIDAY



MAX: 19°
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